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TO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EMIN, GT
SUBJECT: STATUS EXMIBAL PROJECT

1. RAY PAGAN, INCO SELFSTYLED TROUBLESHOOTER, TOLD DEPTOFFS NOVEMBER 1 THAT EXMIBAL EXPECTS MINECON TO RELEASE MINISTERIAL DECREE SOMETIME THIS WEEK WHICH REVISES PREVIOUS EXMIBAL AGREEMENT WITH GOG. ACCORDING PAGAN, DECREE NEEDED TO AUTHORIZE REDUCED SCALE OF PROPOSED NICKEL PROJECT.

2. PAGAN SAID EXMIBAL WILL CALL FOR BID AS SOON AS DECREE ISSUED AND PLANS GO INTO PRODUCTION LATE 1976 OR EARLY 1977 WITH SINGLE LINE PLANT DESIGNED PRODUCE 28 MILLION POUNDS 75 PERCENT MATTE.

3. ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS, PAGAN CLAIMED THAT HANNAH MINING
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HOLDINGS WOULD BE LESS THAN ORIGINALLY PLANNED AND ALLEGED

THAT ALTHOUGH HANNAH WOULD LIKE ACQUIRE OPIC COVERAGE THEIR VIEWS IN THIS REGARD WERE UNLIKELY TO AFFECT INCO'S PLANS TO GO FORWARD AS SOON AS DECREE PUBLISHED.

4. IN RECENT DISCUSSION WITH OPIC OFFICIALS, HANNA REPRESENTATIVE MENTIONED DESIRABILITY OF OPIC INSURANCE FOR GUATEMALA PROJECT BUT INDICATED THAT INSURANCE QUESTION WOULD NOT BE CONTROLLING ON THEIR DECISION TO INVEST IN PORJECT. SINCE THEIR INVESTMENT OF MODERATE SIZE.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE BRIEF REPORT ON CURRENT SITUATION AS TIME PERMITS. KISSINGER

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